

Date: 12/07/11

To: Mark Rowe

From: Rosemary Byrne and Carsten Thomsen

Subject: Greenside Medical Visit

In response to an inquiry regarding Greenside Medical selling foods without a permit, Rosemary Byrne and Carsten Thomsen from PHSKC's Environmental Health Division visited the site located in Seattle at 9804 Lake City Way NE on 12/06/11 at approximately 14:30. After a short wait, we were greeted by the facility manager, David Ahl. Mr. Ahl then showed us the retail area of the establishment which contained a large variety of foods for sale that contain medical marijuana (medibles). The food was all pre-packaged from a variety of vendors and was made off site. Foods sold included varieties of cookies and food bars, nut butters, jams, honey, cannabis butter, hummus, candies, crackers, caramel corn, ground coffee beans, ice cream and chicken fried rice. All of the foods on-site had been purchased from wholesale medibles producers and distributors and were wrapped and clearly labeled.

We asked Mr. Ahl if he had any documentation showing that the foods had been made in an approved, commercial kitchen under permit. Mr. Ahl could not provide the required documentation at the time. A PHSKC Food Establishment Inspection Report, Form C was completed and reviewed by Mr. Ahl. The report instructed Greenside Medical to cease selling food until documentation could be provided showing that the foods were from an approved kitchen permitted by Washington State Department of Agriculture for wholesale production.

The only product we found at this establishment that requires a PHSKC permit was packaged frozen chicken fried rice. Mr. Ahl was notified that in order to continue selling this product, Greenside Medical would need to go through plan review and permitting by PHSKC. Documentation would also need to be provided showing that the food was processed in an approved and permitted facility. Mr. Ahl said he would discontinue selling this product.

Mr. Ahl was very courteous and was willing to answer any questions that he could. He said he would discontinue selling the food products and would check to see if the kitchens where the products were made had Department of Agriculture permits. He informed us that he works very closely with an attorney to make sure Greenside Medical is in compliance with any State and County requirements and that the attorney would be contacting PHSKC.